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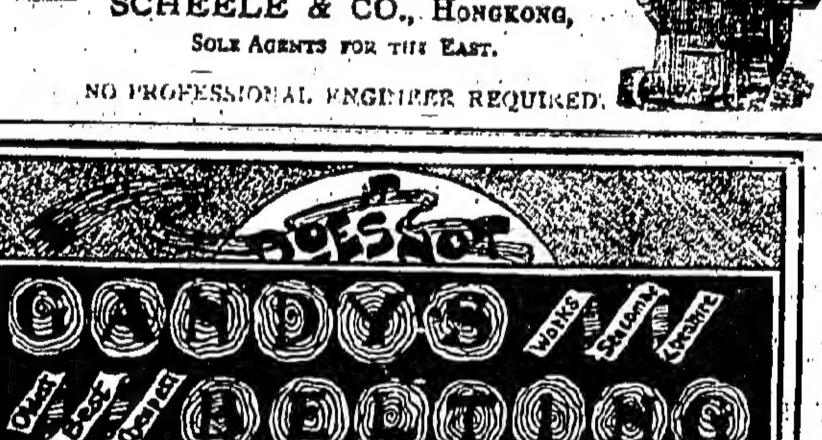
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sation of Europeans in Tropical Regions."

The doctor points out that the unhealthi-

attributed to the direct influence o

their climate, but that, the term

conditions of a place have also to be taken

into account. Experience has shown that

it is not the heat that kills, but the

disease germs peculiar to the locality, and

consequently it is these disease germs which

have to be contended with. Of far more

that of adaptation to and sanitation of the

natural surroundings of Europeans in a

tropical country. The rules of life in

is the European's system of living that

is unsuited to the climate and not the

possibility of his working in the excessive

heat. Acclimatisation is, according to Dr.

Sameon, merely a question of hygiene; that

is to say, the tropics will cease to be less

truth of this statement we have ample

proof in the history of Hongkong.

Valley must at once be struck with the

fearful mortality among the troops in the

early days of our occupation of this island

as recorded on the monuments erected to

their memory, and this, as is conclu-

sively proved by the small death-rate

to-day, is solely attributable to the fact

that the necessary hygienic precautions

were not, in the early days, taken or

properly understood. The conclusions

drawn by the writer are: First,

that European emigrants can live and

perpetuate their kind in tropical regions:

secondly, that the difficulties in the way of

colonisation are not due to climate, but

to parasitism; thirdly, that acclimatisation

is, to a great extent, a mere question of

hygiene. We agree with Dr. Saubon, but

feel in duty bound to add our testimony

on this subject, and it is that to "fast,

intemperate, irregular, and "high

living may be attributed fully one-half of

the deaths of Europeans resident in the

Far East who go down with sorrow and

grey hairs to an early, or comparatively.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S-MESSAGES

THE 'NIGER EXPEDITION.

THE BRITISH NAVAL PROGRAMME.

THE POWERS, TURKEY, AND CRETE.

Mr. Curzon in the House of Commons said

that a union between Crete and Greece was

impossible in face of the present attitude of

(From L'Avenir du Tonkin.)

CHOLERA IN INDIA

(Special to N. C. Dally News.)

CHINA'S NEW NAVY.

The Imperial Government have decided to

cruisers, and several torpedo destroyers, English

type. This is owing to the great increase made

recently in the navy of her neighbours. China

will not order any large vestels of over 10,000

tons, as the has neither harbours nor docks

suitable for them. The programme for some

years to come will be to order vessels of 8,000 tons

or so. The retrenchments made at the Palaces

of the Emperor, Empress, and Empress-Dowager

are to be devoted towards strengthening the new

LI HUNG-CHANG.

There are indications of Li Hung-char

coming into faller power soon, but there are still

a great many attempts, made to undermine his

newly acquired influence over the Emperor. The

Empress-Dowager is still Li's greatest champion

THE IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

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as recommended by the Toungil Yamen's report

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commencement. Of this Sheng, who is also to

be President of the Board of Directors, guaran-

holders in the Chius Merchants' Co, and Chi-

nese Telegraph Administration. The rest of the

Board of Directors (to be twelve in number)

will guarantee another Tis. 1,000,000. The

balance of Tis. 500,000 to be offered in the prin-

cipal cities of the Empire and to be subscribed

by Chinese only. The Head Office is to be in

Shanghal, and will have at least three Managing

Directors, and will be opened at the same time

as the Branca Office in Peking-carly wext

April. The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank will

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a large and responsible staff of foreigners, in the

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will be given the privilege of Issuing notes."

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and transmitting tracs from the leterior to Feldan.

and she is assisted in this by Prince Kung.

PARIS, February 23rd.

PEKING, February 25th.

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PEXING, February 26th.

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LONDON, March andt.

early, grave.

captured Barm.

and an increase of 6,000 men.

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Turkish troops from Crete.

Rews in Central India.

the Powers.

hot climates are not studied

European himself that precludes

carried out, and as a matter of fact

importance than the question of heat

To-dan's Adbertisements.

VICTORIA ENGLISH SCHOOLS SPORTS

THESE SPORTS will take place at the HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, the 6th Instant; commencing at 1 to P.M. All who are interested in Athletics are invited.

By kind permission of Col. GORDON and OFFICERS the Bird of the WEST YORKSHIRE REGIMENT will play from 3 P.M.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1807. THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHARE. HOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the Company's Office, Noing, Praya Central, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 22nd March, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1896, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors, The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 22nd inst. both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 4th March, 1807.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY. LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW. THE Company's Steamship

Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 7th instant, at Daylight,

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SWATOW AND CHINKIANG.

HE Company's Steamship "TAMSUL" Captain Vaughan, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 7th Instant, at Daylight.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED,

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT). THE Company's Steamship,

Captain Benson, will be despatched as aboveon SUNDAY, the 7th instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkory, 4th March, 1807. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED

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Hongkong, 4th March, 1897. FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

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S.S. "MACDUFF," to sall about 22nd March, 1897. For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

Hongkong, 4th March, 1897 CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY. LIMITED.

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"TSINAN," Captain Ramsay, will be despatched as above on TURSDAY, the 16th lustant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

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Co-dan's Advertisements.



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DEATH. On the 27th ult. at H.B.M. Consulate, Chefoo, AGNES VIOLET, eldest daughter of Thomas

Mondkond Weisdaabd

Lowndes and Florence L. E. Bullock.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1897

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

"WHITE ELEPHANTS." "Penny wise and pound foolish" is an old proverb frequently illustrated by the powers that be in Hongkong, and of this we have a striking example in the steam pinnaces with which the authorities some time ago replaced the old police gigs. The qualifications necessary for [403] a police patrol boat, especially in a sarbour like Hongkong, with its large floating population, are that she should be speedy, handy, and of very light draught, to enable her to work inshore and among the junks and boats in the bays; she should not be conspicuous, for if she is she cannot hang about off the shore and watch suspicious craft without attracting-attention, and, so far as is consistent with the performance of police duties, she should be able to keep the sea in heavy weather, to render assistance in case accident. How many of these qualifications do the steam pinnaces possess? the first place they fail miserably in being unable to keep the sea whenever it is at all rough, and they are generally the first instead of the last to make for shelter. They are very conspicuous, being the only craft of their class in the harbour, while their lights, the gleam of the fires on awnings, and their white colour render them easily recognisable at a considerable distance, even at night. While too 'cranky' to be of use in bad weather, they are too deep tolenter shallow bays, and are difficult to handle among a crowd of small craft. Their speed, about eight Bank of China under the following conditions knots, is so feeble that they are unable to overhaul the majority of the Hongkong launches, while, with a stiff breeze and Chinese Bank of International Commerce," but a lumpy sea running, any junk or fast in Europe and America, where there will be boat can keep well ahead of them. Their first cost, too, is considerably more than that of a glg; they cost more to keep up and are in fact more expensive in

every way, and, although a saving

boats and in the strength of the crews,

they are by no means as efficient as

the gigs. Their sole recommendation

seems to be that they make a more

showy appearance than the old row-

boats; but, in police matters at all events.

utility is of more importance than

symmetry of form, and consequently we

should prefer to see the gigs, which

anywhere and everywhere, reinstated for

heavier boats than the "white clophants"

to support them in time of need and as

can stand pretty heavy, weather and

ACCLIMATISATION IN THE TROPICS. TELEGRAMS. In the British Medical Journal Dr. Luigi Sameon discusses, in a long and interesting article, "The Possibility of the Acclimati-

After paying interest at the raie of 8 per cent. per annum to shareholders, a Certain proportion will be raid in the shape of a bonus to Directors, and staff, and to form a reserve fund. Of the balance, 20 per cent, will be paid as toyalty to the. ness of tropical countries is universally Gover ment in return for protection and the above privileges, and 80 per cent, divided among the shareholders. Prospectus of Bank to be "climate" is generally understood published in March, and three months after that only to mean temperature. Although date will be allowed for people in the Interior to apply for shares, and six weeks for investors temperature is admitted to be one of the in Shanghal. most important factors in the acclimatisation question, yet the physical and sanitary

(From Kobe Chronitle)

THE CURRENCY QUESTION. TOKIO, February 24th. On the 20th inst. Count, Maisugais, the Premier, pald a visit to Marquis Ito, at Oiso, and asked his opinion on the cuttency question. It is reported that the Marquis said be thought this an opportune time for effecting a change in the currency, and expressed his approval of the

In connection with the above subject Mr. Nao Nabekra, local agent for the Yokohama Specie Bank, courteously informed a Telegraph reporter to-day that he received a telegram on the and last. saying that the Bill had been submitted to the Dict on the previous day. Count Matsugata, who is the originator of the proposal, has had the subject in view for a long time past. The present ratio, Mr. Nabekta said, Is gold z to silver 16 and the idea is to double the silver; the present price of silver chances the THE Blackburn Mission has been heard from value of gold and this will bring it down healthy than the temperate regions when to one-half. There are now two standards we learn to adapt our mode of living to in Japan, gold and silver, and our natural surroundings. Of the the new Act comes into operation there for Shanghal, together with Mr. Gribble. will be only one, gold. The Government's ides is not to make the change immediately, but to wait for six months at the option of the Minis-Anyone who visits the Cemetery at Happy ter of Finance, and at the end of that time silver will take the place of a subsidiary coinage. Should the Act be passed it will come into force on October 1st, The free coinage of silver will be stopped as soon as the Act is passed.]

> THE YUSEN KAISHA'S FOREIGN LINES. TOXIO, February 24th. A proposal to grant a special subsidy to the European and Trans-Pacific lines of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha is to be submitted at an early meeting of the Cabinet.

THE WEST RIVER.

news published in this journal on Christmas Day, that the Chinese Government had arranged the terms of an agreement with Great Britain A TRACIC occurrence took place at Labore providing for the opening of the West River to on the and ultimo. A Ghazi stabbed to foreign commerce and that the agreement would death a young European lady, the wife come in force at a comparatively early date, of a telegraph signalier, named Band, and is now confirmed by information, of a thoroughly I severely injured the husband. They were comreliable, nature, which we have been to some ing out of a shop in the Anarkhali bassass when trouble to obtain.

that the West River will be opened to foreign The murderer made off with the kolie-in-his trade and tesidence in June next, and we are I hand, but was pluckily arrested by a sowar now given to understand that it is certain to be | belonging to a native cavalry regiment. The opened as far as Wuchow-fu in June, and pro- | Ghazi stated he came to Labore from Peshawar bably before the 1st June. Foreigners will be on purpose to take European lives. He was permitted to reside at Witchew-fu and Samshul. I subsequently sentenced to death. while Sinam, Tukhing, and Shihing, on the. West River, will be used as coaling, calling, and Customs stations.

chased by Chinese for foreigners at Wuchow-fu, winter, and-the buds are bursting forth on the and the native officials at this city are making arrangements for the advent of foreigners.

The Steamboat Company has two fell-powered and very serviceable steamers, built by the local The Naval programme for the year provides Dock Company, ready to ascend the river for fourteen new ships, including four battleships, as soon "as it is officially declared The Powers have presented a Collective Note and cargo between Hongkong and Whampos. to Constantinopie and an identical one to Athens, declaring that the Government of Crete shall be Company has two steamers specially designed the morrow's dinner. autonomous under the suzerainty of the. Sultan for the West River trade, no time will be lost and demanding that the Greek forces shall in taking full advantage of the new order Lord Salisbury stated in the House of Lords things as soon as the Government issues the long-looked-for notification to the effect that Her that the Powers had agreed to the British pro-Majesty's subjects are at liberty to carry on posal except in regard to the withdrawal of trade at Wuchow and Samshul on the

Si-kiang, or West River. LOCAL AND GENERAL.

INF. UZNZA has been very prevalent in Tientsin

A CO-OPERATIVE Store is to be established in Cholera has made its appearance in the state Tientain. KOWLOON |best the H. K. F. C. this afternoon

> by 4 goals to mil. CAPTAIN the Hon, C. E. Walsh, 3rd Battallon Rifle Brigade, is seconded for service with the

Egyptian army. order four more armoured cruisers, two fast H.M.S. Immortalité leaves Hongkong for the north on Saturday and the Graffon is also to and its good qualities are certified by many to be sent north at an early date.

> It is reported that the Astor House Hotel at Tientsin is to be turned into a Joint Stock Company with a capital of Tis, 215,000,

> THE fourth ordinary general meeting of the China and Manila Steamship Company, Ltd., will be held on Monday, the 22nd instant, at noon.

> THE return cricket match between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Garrison will commenced to-morrow and concluded Saturday.

THE performance of "Les Cloches de Corneville" on Saturday night will, it is announced, be under the patronage of the Naval Commanders

As will be seen by an advertisement in this issue, the Victoria English Schools Sports will take place at Happy Valley at 1.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 6th fust.

H.M.S. Porpoise, which is flying her long payingoff penuant, leaves for England after the arrival of the next English mail, and H.M.S. Aurora will travelled miles by the train all over the Kingdom power to increase. Only half is required at the replace her on this station. may have been effected in the number of tees Tis. 1,000,000 to be subscribed by share-

The officers of the Farm got on to his track, with the result that he has to pay \$50 or go into Lethbridge Hotel" for a month.

REPORTS of the Indian tea trade for the nine months ending 31st December, 1896, show an increase of nine million pounds as compared with the corresponding period in the preceding in that ship, and she has always carried me

passes are more or less blocked, and that consequence supplies of produce will be later misfortune not much less than a personal than would in reaching Tientein this spring.

THERE are at present 8 cases of small-pox from HM.S. Grafton on board the hospital bulk Midge. Five of the cases are of recent date and the disease is thought to have been caught from coolies working on board.

MR. J. H. BRA E. an Australian tourist, had an unpleasant experience with a reckless ficksha coolie-yesterday in Queen's Road, being capsized and bruised and, his clothes damaged. The offender, Kow Luk, was to-day fined \$10 and was erdered to pay his victim \$5 as, compensation for the damage.

THE following is the programme of music to be played by the West Yorkshire Band at the banquet (City Hall) to-morrew evening :-

1.-Overture Light Cavalry....... Suppe 4. -Selection Faust Councel

An obstinate Celestial in the person of Woo Kan was to-day awarded a year's imprisonment for returning from banishment. He had once before received this pinalty for the same offence and had been five times previously convicted of larceny. This gentleman is certainly one of those social parasites whose soom is preferable to his company.

at Suining, Mr. Hanbury, who came up with them, left Chungking on the 30th January representative of the S'andard Oil Company. We are sorry to hear that the Lyons Mission sot into trouble at Shasi, but trust that they gave a good account of themselves,-Mercury,

MR. TOMMY HUDSON and his Surprise Party. who are to open here on the 20th instant, have been doing big business in Calcutta lately. From press notices we learn that the "Combine" is a very strong one, including Misses May Habgood, Bella, Perman, Marie Alston, Pustow Mackey and Morrison, Messts. Harry Shine, Charlie-Boyls, D.C Smith, Holland, and Gilbert, and a clever scenic attist, Mr. W. H. Pulford, Most of the artistes named have splendid records from London and Australia and judging from We are giad to be able to announce that the their extensive repertoirs we should say they will be sure to "catch on" in the Gorgeous

the Pathan sushed on Mrs. Band, and afterwards It has siready been stated in these columns stracked Mr. Band, who went to her rescue,

SPRING is making her appearance in Hongkong at last. The bills are showing faint traces of A good deal of land has already been pur- green through the brown dried-up herbage of few deciduous shoubs and trees which the island possesses. The widow and sain-bird, the Hongkong counterparts of the cuckoo, are returning and we have already heard their doleful cry, open, while the butcher-bird has selected the most and in the meantime one of them is kept thorny bush he can fied, and is busily employed running regularly on the Macao route and the with his mate in building a nest in readiness for other is, we understand, carrying passengers his prospective family, pausing now and again in his labours to capture some luckless frog and It is evident, therefore, that, as the Steamboat Impale him on a sharp thorn in readiness for

> It is not surprising that typhoid fever should be rife in the Colony when earthenware drain-pipes running down the walls of houses are permitted to become choked, the filth sunning out and spreading over the adjoining walls and saturating them with sewage of all descriptions. This is what is now taking place in the lane running from the Praya to Queen's Road between Nos. 17 and 18 Prays Central. Do the Sanitary Inspectors ever visit these small lanes and if not, why not? Such foul places as these breed disease, and until they are kept sweet and clean, which could sasily be done were they properly supervised, we must not be susprised-if fifth diseases flourlab in the Colony.

WE have received from Messes Gande, Price & Co., wine and spirit merchants; of 12, Queen's Road, a sample of Vin Saint Lehon, a French tonic wine, for which they are sole agents here. The flavour of the article is decidedly .picasant eminent physicians, including Dr. E. Blanc, ex-Chief of the Naval Health Service, Dr. Mozel, Chief Doctor of Hospitals, and Mr. Thompson, expert ex-Chemist of Paris. All agree that it is a perfect dessest wine and is particularly well adapted for the use of invalids and persons of delicate constitution. It is claimed for it that it acts against poorness of blood, below a difficult digestion, accelerates the circulation of the blood, and removes any injurious particles likely to provent nourishment, By its exquisite tasts and its remarkable qualities it has become very popular as a tonic, and that is why the faculty advise and recommend it." MANY a sea-captain regards his ship with an

affection of which a landsman has no ides, and

Captain Smith, of the steamer Asama, which was lost in the Rangoon River on the and ult., tells a story that cannot fall to awaken feelings of sympathy. "I have lost my home, and it was in that, ship that, my hopes were buried," and then with tears almost flowing down his cheeks, says the Rangoon Times, he said "I courted and matried my wife on board that vessel, and my little children have to meet me, and have a roll on the lounge in her saloon. They used to call it "Papa's sea CHEOMG U tried a little deal in illicit opium. | home," and so it was. I watched every movement in her construction. I was in her when her keel was laid, and joyously climbed her mast before she went into the blue water. I have carried her for ten years over many a stormy sea, or at least she has carried me over it, and she has never damaged herself In any way. In all the trades you can lengine. from all the points of the compass, have I been through, and home sgain to my wile and children. It was there, as I tell you, that I first THE Tientsin Times hears that, owing to set introduced to my wife, and it was there that unusually heavy falls of snow in the north, the I settled the greatest point of my life. Now my ship is gone, and I am left. I have nothing to chastise myself for, and I now tell you it's a

bercavement.

"The Naval Department of Slam has fixed four port lights at different stations along the east coast of that country. The lights are of French design and are visible ten miles at sea. The lights are at Bangplasol and Koh Kong, and at other small posts on the coast, The Koh-chul light will be banded over almost immediately to the Slamese Harbour Department.

APPARENTLY few persons are aware that ferns and plants may be purchased at the Botanic Gardens. When buying pot, plants from the Chinese there is always a risk of their having been potted only a few hours previously, and in some cases they have no roots at all and wither and die immediately. On the other hand, those obtained from the Gardens are always hardy and in good condition and there is no fear of their dying from having no roots or having been recently potted. We would advise these of our readers requiring out plants for table decoration to try the Guidens. Malden-halr ferns, for instance, are to be obtained there in exquisite follage for the modest sum of twenty-five cents per pot.

THE spread of bubonic plague in Bombay, says a bome paper, has within the last few weeks defied all efforts to cope with it. The conditions are too novel to allow of very direct measures being taken, but experience is gradually accumulating which will prove of great service the next time an outbreak occurs. A borrible warninglis provided n the shape of dead rate, which were found in thousands fully a month before any human being was attacked in Bombay. The infection is carried from them to food and drinking water in a variety of ways, but mainly perhaps by the ants which feed uponitheir bodies. Pigs, dogs, creditors, but he could not afford to insure his snakes, and juckals, besides rats, have all proved life. Mr. Dearon had spoken to him seriously to be susceptible to the same disease. about his conduct. He was involved so heavily

THE Churgking covrespondentlef the Shanghat because he had to pay heavy interest. Mercury, willing on February 8th, says "February tetwas a noteworthy day for Chungking, for on that day airlyed the first English Naval officer, Mr. Broadbent, of H.M.S. Redpole, together with the first Royal Marine, that ever trod our streets of stairs or surmounted the whirlpools of the sapids. On that day arrived also the first Blishop that has yet reached Chungking, Dr. and Mrs. Joyce, of the American Methodist Episcopal Mission. There all were but on a visit, and with them came Dr. and Mrs. Wolsey of the same Mission, to seside among us, as also Dr. Wolfendale of the London Misr sion. So now at last Dr. McCartney is no longer alone to fight disease singlehanded by European methods, and he starts to-day to convoy the Bishop to Chengtu for a three or foudays' visit, thereby gaining himself much needed holiday and change. In the now remarkable party of 1st February arrived Mr. and Mrs. Upcrait, who, after tarrying with us week, are to-day also proceeding on their way to remote Yacheo, first attending a conference of their Baptist Mission on their way at Sulfu."

IN the San Francisco Chronicle of the and ultimo there is published a Press despatch dated New York, 1st February, reporting the slight difficulty that has arisen between the United States Feprescotative at Bangkok and the Siamese Government as follows :- The Herald's Washington special says: Consul-General Barrett, stationed at Bangkok, has been instructed to press his claim for an investigation of the Kellett outrage, In addition, Mr. Barrett has been directed to do all possible to secure the reference of the Cheek claim arbitration. The State Department has nothing from Bangkok in regard to the situation there ago. The gunboat Machias arrived at Bangkok | the Postal Union Countries by the Swiss Fede the 22d inst., and under instructions sent to him, Commander Reiter, the 'commanding officer, was directed to confer with the Consul-General and act in conjunction with him to secure Union :reparation for the Kellett outrage .- The "Cheek claim." is based on the provisions of a disputed contract, and the "Kellet outrage" is, if we mistake not, an enlarged edition of the murder, of an American citizen by Siamese highwaymen.

Magistrate.-What is the charge against this man, Inspector ? Hongkong Bobby,-Creating a disturbance,

your Worship. Magistrate,-Was it much of a disturbance? Bobby.-Indeed, it was, siz. It woke me up

Magistrate (solemaly).—Prisoner cautioned and discharged.

THE Hon, Treasurer of the Alice Memoria; and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks: the following donations to the

nds of the Hospitals :	
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INTERESTING BANKRUPTCY

CASE.

At the Supreme Court to-day in Hankrupter Jurisdiction, before his Lowiship the" Chief fustice, an examination was held re-the affeire of C. J. Lopes. The liabilities on his own account were \$1,622.74 and on juint and several bills \$1,216 ; acrets #il.

office, and was mar ad, having two children. He had been in the office several years and since March last he had been getting \$110 per month. Before then he received \$100 per month, He had never been bankeupt before ; he first found Limself in trouble in 1888 when he had to borrow from money traders, He and his wife were chief promoters-of a min y loin assectation and five or six people who betrewed frem it absconded, he helog made responsible. He had to borrow by giving "promissory notes. of \$180 for \$100 He continued borrowing from the gun lascars and got still more deeply. involved. He joined with Mr. Remedios and they assisted each other in horrowing. They received about \$1,200 or \$1,400, for which they gave notes to the amount of \$2,216. Mr. Remedies left the Colony and then bankrant's harrowing sources were exhausted. Ha got 6854 from Mr. "shorne with which to pay off bls Indian crediturs. Fe did not speculate in shares, and only held two in the Electric Compary, which he sold for \$4. He did not gamble with the money. As to a note for \$60 he only received \$30 and no mention was made of interest, but he paid's per cent, per month, If Mr. Remedies had not left the colony bankrupt would have been able to pay his share in instalments. To one of the gun lascars he had been paying \$4 per month. His salary was all he had to live upon and his son got \$40 per month; he

Five Sikhs, one a bombardier in the Asiatic Artillery, one a civilian, and the others ex-gun lascure, then came forward in turn and produced bills sloned by the bankrupt. Two of them the plaintiff said he had never before seen, whereupon one of them replied "Ob, you know me when you wint mosey, but when you don't you say you don't know me." Several of them asked the bankrupt what he did with the money and did he not samble? This was emphatically denied and hankrupt said he could bring friends to make affidavit that he never gambled. One of the swarthy delitors said he had heard that bankrupt was a great gambler, all the Portuguese. They all questioned the bankrupt as to what he had done with the money and the one regly was that it had been absorbed in paying loans on heavy interest. Another Sikk said some of the bankrupt's

was willing to pay \$50, for the benefit of his-

friends had to abscoud through gambling. His Lordship, in reply to one of the claimants, who said he only wanted his money and to go home, said "It is one of the risks of all money lenders that a man who borrows from them may I production. go into the Bankruptcy Court. You have always to take that risk." As to the dividend His Lordship said to the interpreter, "Tell him he will have to take his chance like all the creditors:

The Official Receiver will let him know." Replying to another auxious ex-gunner as his dividend, His Lordship said "You must take what you can get. You will know by and hys. The creditor (Chola Singh) remarked that he lent his money out to get some advantage from it and not to lose it all.

The examination was then terminated.

CHINA AND THE POSTAL UNION

The following is a translation of the Circular except two dispatches received several weeks. Note, mentioned in a recent issue, addressed to ral Council informing them of China's present partial and eventual full adhesion to th

Berne, June aand, 1895.

Monsieur le Ministre. We have the honour to inform your Excellency that by a note dated the 15th of April Isst, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of China at Peking has communicated to us that his Government has the intention, while organising an Imperial Postal Service, to admit without ferther charge | Government at a factory at Enfield, near Lonfrom the 1st of January, 1897, correspondence don. About 1,500 operatives are employed at franked at Union rates destined to a certain the Government factory and it is estimated that number of Chinese localities, and to request each Martini-Henry rifle costs England about later on that China shall be admitted into the 48 shillings. Universal Postal Union.

The Chinese Note reads as follows:--Swiss Federal Council that an Imperial Decree has just ordered the establishment of a Posta Service, to function primarily at Peking and the ports open to foreign trade, and to be developed by degrees as circumstances permit. Their attention having been drawn to the existence of this pattern was supplied on contract by an the Postal Union, its great utility and the American firm during the war of 1877-78, and admirable manner in which it is administ, tered by the Swiss Government, its delegate, and considering that all the Powers with which China has concluded Treaties are members of this Union, and that the adhesion of Chius to the Union cannot but be to the general advantage, the Ministers of Foreign Affairs beg, accordingly, to notify the honourable Swiss Federal Council of the intention of the Chinese Government to establish a Postal Service, and, later on, to join the Postal Union; but as the Imperial Postal Service is a new creation, and its organization will require a more or less long period, the date at which China proposes to give her formal adhesion and accept the accompanying duties and responsibilities cannot be fixed until fater on, after it is decided that the Service is working friendship. Russia always shows the same. properly. Meanwhile, the Tsungil Yamen, that is, the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, wish cogni- | the international affairs of other countries. sance to be now taken of China's intention to ioin the Postal Union, and declars, for the information of the honourable Federal Council and the Holhow (Klangchow), Pakhol, Lungchow, and Mengize, be received, transmitted, and distributed by the offices of the Imperial Post at these points, free of all supplementary postal charges. " As additional post offices are established and the Postal Service is developed, notice and missing, seventy-five more being badly will from time to time be given for general wounded. information, The Imperial Postal Service is at the cutset attached to the Service of the Imperial Maritime Customs, and placed under the direction of the Inspector-General of Customs; its delegate in Europe for all postal questions is the Commissioner of

"We have the honour, etc. The President of the Confederation,

information should be addressed.

(Signed) LACRENEL. The Chancellor of the Confederation. (Signed) RINGIRE. To His Excallency,

The Mintsler of Versign Affalia, ...

Customs, Mr. J. D. Campbell, resident in London,

to whom all questions as to details or necessary

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The Occidental and Oriental Co.'s steamship Gaelie, Capt. Finch, R.N.R., from San Francisco, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shangbal, with the American mails up to and February, arrived in harbour this morning. We are indebted to our San Francisco exchanges Bankrupt said he was a riek in Mr. Dercon's for the subjoined interesting telegrams :-

PARIS, January 29th.

Count Muraviell, the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, who is on a special mission in this city, had a longs conference to-day with M. Hanotaux, Minister of Foreign Affairs. At a lauch in bonone of the Russian visitor, at which the Cabinet Ministers and members of the Diplomatic Corps were present, Court Muraviell dwelt upon the peaceful alms of the Franco-Russian LONDON, Japuaty 29th.

The President of the Board of Trade replied, In the House of Commons, to a question regarding the regulations of the Washington Conference for the prevention of collisions at sea, that they had been submitted to all the Powers represcreed, and all had agreed to them with the exception of Venezuels, which had not replied. Mr. Ritchie added that he was aware of opposition to some of the features of these regulations, butin view of the exhaustive discussion and consideration of the matter, the Government was not prepared to depart in any way from the position taken by the Powers.

January 30th. The Graphic says that it is rumoured that Mr. Cecil Rhodes, who arrived in England a week ago, brought with him to London documentary proof of intrigues alleged to have taken place between President Kruger of the Transvanl and the German Government. It is claimed that the magnificent country house at Capelown balonging to Mr. Cecil Rhodes, ruined by fire December 15th, was set fire to for the purpose of destroying these documents.

A despatch to the Times from Odeasa, commerting upon the military and navni preparations on the part of Russia, says that the Black Sea fleet, consisting of seven irunciads, as well as cruisers, gunboats, toxpedo hoats and torpedodestroyers, is continuously kept under steams and ready for active service. As for the Sebastopol fleet, the correspondent of the Times at Odessa asserts it never was in a more splendid trim for fighting.

PARIS, February 1st.

The Chamber of Dapaties to-day adopted the -article of the Sugar Bill fixing a surtax of o france on imports of raw sugar an tiro france on refined

After adopting the articles of the Sugar Bill fixing a surfax on sugar imports, the Chamber also adopted a clause authorising the Government to abolish all bountles paid whenever foreign countries agreed to arrange for a similar reduction or abolition of bonuser paid on sugar

CANNES, February 1st.

dead. Queen Victoria, in April, 1883, conferred upon him the honour of baronet in acknowledg. ment of "the distinguished services which he had rendered to the medical profession and in humanity." Deceased was the author of several important surgical works.

VIENNA, February 1st.

Printe, Alfred, Windisch-Graetz died at Ajacclo, in the island of Corsics, to-day. Prince Alfred Windisch-Graefz, former President of the Austrian Council of Ministers, "belonged to the highest rank of German nobility.

PARIS, February 1st.

A report from Fronenfeld, Switzerland, announces the death at that place of M. Martini the inventor of the Martini rifle. M Martini commenced his experiments in gen-making forty years ago: It was not until 1869, however, when a combination of the Martint breech action with a Henry barrel was selected from a large number of rifle inventions submitted to the Biltish Government, that M Martini achieved fame and fortune. The whole of the British army is now provided with these weapons. The manufacture of the Marilal-Henry rifle is now carried on by the British

M. Martini had taken out a large number of patents upon inventions connected with the "The Ministers of Foreign Affairs in China manufacture of guns, and the Martini-Henry have the honour of informing the honourable rifle has been adopted by a number of the leading nations of the world. Of all the military rifles -adopted by the various Governments the Martini-Henry has been demonstrated by numerous tests as the most powerful. It underwent a practical test in Turkey, where a cheap gun of the results were most satisfactory.

NEW YORK, Fobiusty 1st.

A despaich to the Herald from St. Petersburg Bays :- The Glassosia, which of late seems to have been especially inspired concerning the "Little Eastern Question," as the Turkish question is called here, in contradistinction to the greater Eastern Question, speaking of Kores says :- "Russia cannot descend to the pillage o Turkey together with Turkey's other creditors. Russia has given Turkey 100 years to pay her war indemnity, at the rate of 30,000,000 roubles a year. Russis has shown she knows how to be magnatimous, nor does France wish to exchange the interests in her pocket for Russia's traditional policy, namely, not to interfere with

-HAVANA, February 1st. One of Weyler's river expeditions has been members of the Union, that from the 1st of defeated. Hearing that the insurgents had Tetarios January, 1897, correspondence coming from fortified some heights near Paes, on the river countries that are members of the Union will, Cuano, north of Clenfuegos, Weyler sent Colonel from the 1st of January, 1897, on its arrival at | Server with 300 men in small boats to capture Paking, Newchwang, Tlentein, Cheloo, Chungking, the place and destroy the forts. In rounding Ichang, Shasi, Hankow, Kinklang, Wuhu, Chin- a sharp bend, after proceeding up the river some kinng, Shanghai, Socchow, Hangchow, Ningpo, I twenty miles, a heavy musketry fire was opened Wenchow, Foochow, Amoy, Swatow, Canton, on them, while a 6-pound piece threw shot and sank several of their boats. The Spanlards leaped out of their boats, waded to the shore, and charged the insurgents. The fight was afterce one, in whichithe Spaniards were forced to retire. In all, fifteen boats were sunk and roo men killed

> LONDON, February 1st. The East of Kincoull is dead. He was born in 1817, and is succeeded by his eldest son; Lord Hay of Kinfauns, a well-known Anglo-

> Sims Reeves, the famous English singer who recently married a young wife and returned to the stage, has been declared a bankrupt. He

Egyptian army officer.

was born in 1822. The Very Rev. J. [Owen, M.A., principal of

St. Davids. February and remered to beriet health?

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

MARCH. Meteorological means based on ten years'

Humidity85. Rainfali..... 4.08 inches.

WEATHER BEPORT. On date at On date at Barometer 30.11 Thermometer

the land and grain.

Mohammedan -27th Ramadan, 1314. (Last der of the Fast month.) Sun-Rises 64r. 21min. Sets 6kg. Smin. Moon. - In Fquator 2hr. p.m. High water-Morning 10hr. 15msn. Low water-Morning Shr. 57min.

Afternoon 3hr. 33min.

1103-Emperer Saladin died. 1850-Chiu Apou's piratical first of 13 junks destroyed in Mirs Bay by H.M.S.

many lives. 1889—Emperor Kwong-sü assumed the govern

TO-MORROW, Friday, 5th Merch, 1897. Kwore-sil

Sels 6hr. 3min. Afternoom 10hr. 88min. Afternoom 4hr, 18min. ANNIVERSARIES.

MEMORANDA.

To-DAY,-4th Merch. S'r Thomas Spencer Wells, Bait., M.D., Is | p.m.-Williton's Circus at back of City Hall

p.m.—Meeting of the Odd Volumes Society

7.30 p.m. - Banquet to H.E. Wu Ting Fang.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

. Mares Dúr: Indian (Suisang) 6th Inst.

Tacoma (Victoria) 6th inst. English (Rosetta) 7th Inst. German (Sachsen) 10th inst. American (City of Paking) 15th inst. American (Dorse) 23rd Inst. Canadian (Empress of China) 24th inst. Tacoma (Olympia) 26th inst.

Emoress of China left Vancouver for Yokohama on the 1st inst.

rom Liverpool, left Singapore for this port this morning, and may be expected here on or about the 9th last.

SHIPPING RETURNS. From 5 p.m. yesterday to 6 p.m. to-day.

aicheone Swatow Choysang Sendal Mary Canton Gaelle Mathilds Holhow Nansham Bangkok Kambull..... Cardiff Aggregating 10,528 tons register.

DEFARTURES. Viksong steamer, from Canton Nanyang Shanghai Coast Ports Hailoong Vulcan Saigon Amoy Victoria Keongwas Swatow

Prinzess Wilhelm in Kowloon Dock. Daghne Klangnam Centurion, H.M.S Kachidale Marson " Guthrie

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TUTWARD-22nd Jan.-Palawan, Aga. 26th COMPANY, LIMITED. Jan.—Agamemnon, Delke Richmers, Norman-Feb.—Hertha, Japan, Asloun, Salaste, Ceres, Alletment la made, 23rd Peb.—Rilen Richmers, Tosa Mars. 26th Feb.-Anging, Pathan, Sophie Richmers, Lampeter College, has been appointed Bishop of Tamswi. 2nd March-Glanskiel, Gieela,

A despatch to the Dally Tiligroph from St. | Homewand-26th Febr-Pakkar, Prins Petersburg announces that the Testine has been | Helerith, Sydney, and March-Frigge, Mariati Burgnehimi

INDIAN FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

observations to 1898,

TO-DAY,

Humidity Rainfall

Thursday, 4th March, 1897.

Chinese .- 2nd of 2nd moon of 23rd year of Kwong-sil. Spring worship of the gods of Jewish .- Soth Adar, 5657.

ANNIVERSARIES. 371-Mencias horn.

1875 - Wreck of the British barque Pride of the Thames near Nagasaki. 1879-Collision between the steamers Ocean and Fusing and loss of the latter with

Chin-se.—Sed of 2nd moon of 23rd year of lewi-h.—Ist Vendar, 5657.

Mohammedan .- 1st Shawall, 1814. Sun-Rises 6hr. 20min. High water-Aforeing 10hr, 32min. Low water—Morning Shr. Simin.

1849-Fatingiton of the Chinese Custom House in Macao by Governor Amaral.

To-MORROW,-Sth March.

at the Chamber of Commerce Room, City

9 p m - Willison's Circus at back of City Hall

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We are glad to see that subscriptions are still lowing in to this Fund, a list of contributors kindly forwarded by the Hon. Treasurer this afternoon showing that the total amount subscribed to date is \$46 939.67.

SUESCRIPTION LISTS.

Bank", stores, and Clubs, in the Colony. BURMA AND CHINA.

If Reu'er's information is accurate, the long dispute regaiding the Burmo-Chinese frontier is practically at an end and little remains but the actual demarcation of the frontier. We are not told what pensity, except the opening of the will be CLOSED from the 8th to 15th instant, both days inclusive.

West, or Canton, River to trade, has been exacted from China for her breach of the terms of the Burmo-Chinese Convention by handing over portions of Kenghung to France, nor are we told whether France has or has not succeeded in her demand for certain railway concessions in Southern China, [The French obtained the important allway concession referred to through M. Gérard last year.] which would, on Tonkin trade of the opening of the West River. So far as British merchants and traders

it was thought, neutralise the ill effects' are concerned, the more rivers opened free to commerce and the more railway concessions given in China, even to a power like France that adopts a system of protection rimost as rigid and exclusive as China herself, the better will they be pleased. The demarcation of the Burme-Chinese frontier will follow as a matter of course It will be a long and troublesome task,

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PROCESSION OF THE CROSS. SPECIAL CHEAP FXCURSION TO

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she leaves.

T. ARNOLD,

Secretary. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1897. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK-

COMPANY, LIMITED.

being landed and placed at their risk in the NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown ONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of BUSINESS CONTRIBUTED during the Half-Year ended 31st December, 1896, on or before the 18th March, on which date the

ACCOUNTS will be CLOSED. By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE, Secretary. Hongkong, 25th February, 1897.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1806.

ONTRIBUTORS to the above OFFICE are requested to furnish the Understaned with no Claims will be recognised. a LIST of their CONTRIBUTIONS for the year ending 31st December, 1896, in order that the Distribution of BONUS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the grat day of March instant will be adjusted by the Office, and no CLAIMS OF ALTERATIONS will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CARTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED, Hongkong, 1st March, 1807.

THE RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, TENDERS are invited and will be received

up to NOOM of 31st March next, at the Offices of the Company, both in BRISBANE and SINGAPORE. for 10,000 CONTRIBUTING SHARES of £1 each Pald-up to 13s, 10d. each in THE RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING Tenders, which should be souled and super-

die. 29th Jan .- Melbomens, Oceano, Reclong, St. scribed "TENDER FOR UNALLOTTED SHARES." Andrews. and Feb. Cyrus, Dordogue, 5th | must quote a price in Sterling per Share for a Feb.-Hector, Kanagawa Mars. oth Teb,- minimum of 200 Shares or for any multiple of Glenavon, Menelaus, Helen Richmers. 12th | 200 Shares up to the maximum of 10,000 Shares Feb.—Anapa, Guadalautver. 16th Feb.— and must be accompanied by 29. 6d. deposit P.M. will be subject to rent. Benlarig, Erato, St. Giles, St. Verome. 19th per Share, which will be returned in case no SCRIP will be issued on BRISBANE or

> The highest or any Tender not necessarily By Order of the Directors, C. P. DERRICK.

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must be PAID to the Undersigned at the Office of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 16th day of March, 1897, and Notice is also given that in the event of non-payment of such Call at the Office of the Company aforesaid on or before the said 16th day of March, 1897, the above-mentioned Shares will be liable to be forfelted.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managera. Hongkong, 1st March, 1807

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFAC-TURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOL. Subscription Lists will be found in the various | DERS in the COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 15th March, at Twelve o'clock NOON, for the purpose o receiving a Statement of Accounts and Report of the General Managers for the year ending axst December, 1895, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

> SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 1st March, 1897.

> > Consignees.

FROM SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. VIA YOKOHAMA. KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

THE Company's Steamship "TENSHIN MARU,"having arrived from above Posts. Consignees of Cargo are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods ex-ship or from alongside. Any Cargo impeding the discharge

of the versel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1897.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND

SINGAPORE. THE Company's Steamship

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns

Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Moon on the 5th March, or they will not be

of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and

recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on FRIDAY, the 5th March, at No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any

Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 5th March, will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, 26th February, 1807. NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "CANDIA," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, AND. STRAITS. Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are

Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. This vessel brings on Cargo :-From Madras, ex S.S. Camoria. Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before to

A.M. TO-MORROW.

Goods not cleared by the 4th March, at 4 P.M.; will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage. obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Versel's arrival here, after which

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent Hongkong, 26th February, 2807.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES,

"CEYLON," FROM LONDON AND STRAITS Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each

consignment will be sorted out mark by mark

and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. This vessel brings on Cargo From Italy, ex S.S. Sutlef. **

From Madras, ex S.S. Siera. Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before to A.M. on the ard inst. Goods not cleared by the 8th instant at

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me is any case whatever. All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Houghong, 27th February, 1807.

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STEAMERS. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL. HE Company's Steamship

"DIOMED." Captain Brilett, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 8th Merch. For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Hongkong, 26th February, 1807.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1897.

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FOR KOBE (DIRECT). HE Steamship

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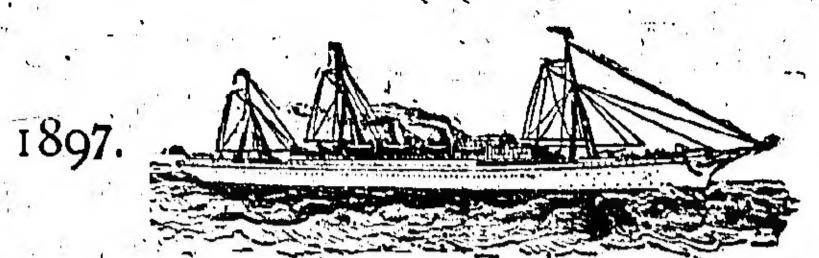
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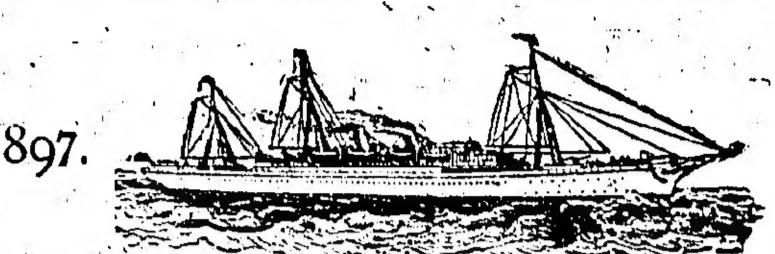
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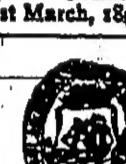
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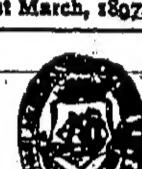
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